

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, June 16 for morning hour debate.

## Committee Meetings

### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BUDGET AUTONOMY

*Committee on Government Reform:* Held a hearing entitled "Budget Autonomy for the District of Columbia: Restoring Trust in Our Nation's Capital." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the District of Columbia: Anthony Williams, Mayor; Linda Cropp, Chairman, Council; and Natwar Gandhi, Chief Financial Officer.

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### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of June 16 through June 21, 2003

#### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 2 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of S. 1, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the medicare program, for debate only.

During the balance of the week, Senate will continue consideration of S. 1, Prescription Drug and Medicare Improvement Act, and may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business.

#### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* June 18, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Thomas C. Dorr, of Iowa, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Development, and to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation, 9 a.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* June 18, to hold hearings to examine the New Basel Capital Accord, 10 a.m., SD-538.

June 19, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the growing problem of identity theft and its relationship to the Fair Credit Report Act, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* June 19, Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold oversight hearings to examine grazing programs of the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service, focusing on grazing permit renewal, BLM's potential changes to grazing regulations, range monitoring, drought, and other grazing issues, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* June 17, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Water, to hold hearings to examine S. 525, the National Aquatic Invasive Species Act of 2003, to amend the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990 to reauthorize and improve that Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* June 17, to hold hearings to examine the implementation of the U.S. Bilateral Free Trade Agreements with Singapore and Chile, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* June 17, to hold hearings to examine the Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules for International Carriage by Air, done at Montreal May 28, 1999 (Treaty Doc. 106-45), Protocol to Amend the Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules Relating to International Carriage by Air Signed at Warsaw on October 12, 1929, done at The Hague September 28, 1955 (The Hague Protocol) (Treaty Doc. 107-14), Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants, with Annexes, done at Stockholm, May 22-23, 2001 (Treaty Doc. 107-05), Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade, with Annexes, done at Rotterdam, September 10, 1998 (Treaty Doc. 106-21), Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Russian Federation on the Conservation and Management of the Alaska-Chukotka Polar Bear Population done at Washington on October 16, 2001 (Treaty Doc. 107-10), Agreement Amending the Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Canada on Pacific Coast Albacore Tuna Vessels and Port Privileges done at Washington May 26, 1981 (the "Treaty"), effected by an exchange of diplomatic notes at Washington on July 17, 2002, and August 13, 2002 (the "Agreement"). Enclosed is the report of the Secretary of State on the Agreement and a related agreement, effected by an exchange of notes at Washington on August 21, 2002, and September 10, 2002, amending the Annexes to the Treaty (Treaty Doc. 108-01), and Amendments to the 1987 Treaty on Fisheries Between the Governments of Certain Pacific Island States and the Government of the United States of America, with Annexes and agreed statements, done at Port Moresby, April 2, 1987, done at Koror, Palau, March 30, 1999, and at Kiritimati, Kiribati, March 24, 2002. Also transmitted, related Amendments to the Treaty Annexes, and the Memorandum of Understanding (Treaty Doc. 108-02), 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

June 18, Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the development of democracy in Burma, to be immediately followed by full committee hearings to examine the nominations of Robert W. Fitts, of New Hampshire, to be Ambassador to Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, and Vanuatu, and Greta N. Morris, of California, to be Ambassador to the Marshall Islands, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.